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METHOD OF EVALUATING
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Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicants wish to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent Office the following references:

U.S. Patent No. 5,770,917

Which is based on

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application
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Copies of these references and a form PTO 1449 are attached.

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Also attached is the priority document Japan 2000-199523 in accordance with 35 USC § 119.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

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